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TO : Chief, Z2

DATE: 23 March 1953

FROM : Chief of Base, Munich

SUBJECT: GENERAL— Operational/ZIPPER

SPECIFIC— LOEWENTHAL Examination of George ROSENTHAL

1. Subject was examined on 17 March 1953 at the request of ☐ to ascertain veracity concerning security and specific operational points. ☐

2. BACKGROUND INFORMATION: Subject alleges he was born on 13 September 1905 and received an excellent education leading into a military career, in the course of which he became a professional intelligence officer, mainly busy in the counter-espionage field, and culminating as POW of the British, by whom he was released in February 1946. From then until February 1947 he was in DP Lager Kellerberg in Kaernten, when he became employee of CIC, Salzburg. In May 1948 he joined his present organization. Subject is married, has two children. Family is in the West. Subject appears to have stated his true identity. Other aspects of his background were not gone into, because of the priority of operations questions, except that Subject appears to have stayed out of Hungary since February 1944, and to be innocent of serious post-war crime.

3. Operational and Security Information: The following specific questions were put to the Subject with results as shown. (NOTE: "NSR" means no significant reaction, i.e., indicates veracity on the point at issue):

Are you an espionage agent of ATN, the Russians, or any other Communist Regime? No. NSR.

Did you ever knowingly do secret work for ATN, the Soviet-Russians, or for other Communists? No. NSR.

In the last two years, have you engaged in homosexual intercourse? No. NSR.

Are you in a secret conspiracy with General Andras ZAKO in any way? No. NSR.

Do you sincerely oppose the activities of General ZAKO and his cliques? Yes. NSR.

Do you knowingly supply French IS with secret intelligence information? No. NSR.

Do you supply secret intelligence information to any organization except "Gruppe Mayer"? No. NSR.

Did you tell ADLER he is working for the Americans? Yes.

Subject reacted to this question. On interrogation, stated that he had not "exactly" told A. in so many words, but that the whole of their conversations indicated that A. was clearly certain he was working for Americans and would not have had it otherwise.

As far as you know, does ADLER think he is working for the Americans? Yes.

Subject reacted, no explanation. Reactions were mild. Questions concerning ADLER simply seem to disturb the Subject; reasons unknown.

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Have you made deliberate false reports to Gruppe MAYER concerning Irene KLEIN?
No. NSR.

Are you mainly interested in making money for yourself? No.

Slight reaction; Subject maintained he is primarily interested in doing a good job against the enemies of his Class, the Communists.

Are you now being blackmailed by anyone? No.

Slight reactions, no admissions. I feel that, if Subject were under any serious pressure of this kind, he would have reacted much more.

Have you given false sources of secret intelligence information to Gruppe MAYER?
No.

Have you knowingly provided Gruppe MAYER with falsified intelligence information?
No.

To both of these questions Subject reacted to a degree indicating at least the withholding of information of some sort. Subject admitted that he has newly-arrived refugees debriefed "just like everyone in this profession does" but denied that he ever ascribed to "inside" sources information actually derived from refugees. Subject is more concerned with the first of these questions than with the second, so that the weight of the evidence is in favor of source rather than content deception; extent or importance unknown, but probably of secondary importance.

Do you find that you often tell people secrets you should keep to yourself? No.
NSR.

Are you a drug-addict? No.

This question causes slight sensitivity, tending to subside, and the general indications are that Subject is free from drug-addiction. In the course of the examination puncture-marks were noted in the veins of the right arm, which the Subject explained are being due to injections of vitamins needed by him to offset his "neurasthenia" and given to him by a doctor who is a "good friend of his". Subject denied taking any shots in an effort to beat JOPLITER or being addicted in any way, and this appears to be true. To be on the safe side, we have consulted our "house physician", and he confirms that vitamins are often given intravenously in this manner.

4. ESTIMATED DEGREE OF ACCURACY: On the main issues of the case, results are estimated to be "fairly accurate". Accuracy on the lesser issues can not be estimated.

5. ESTIMATE OF THE SUBJECT: A mature, intelligent and stable individual with a good deal of professional pride and basic integrity.

6. REMARKS & RECOMMENDATIONS: I would not be inclined to worry too much about the sensitivity shown concerning false sources and false information. If it is desired to get to the bottom of it, it will require a detailed analysis (with consequent morale and security implications) of his entire operational set-up. If he has supplied material found to be doubtful, the originals of this material would be required for effective further JOPLITER examination. Subject is well aware that fabrication is sure to be detected.

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